



# Broiler Hatchery

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## **Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 1 Percent**

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 240 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 5, 2022, up 1 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 79.9 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three-weeks earlier.

## **Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Down 1 Percent**

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 185 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 5, 2022, down 1 percent from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 8, 2022 through February 5, 2022 for the United States were 925 million. Cumulative placements were down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

## Broiler-Type Eggs Set – Selected States and United States: 2022

State	Week ending					
	January 1, 2022	January 8, 2022	January 15, 2022	January 22, 2022	January 29, 2022	February 5, 2022
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama .....	34,227	34,207	34,296	34,341	34,722	34,351
Arkansas .....	24,665	24,886	24,917	24,928	25,039	24,915
Delaware .....	4,657	4,743	4,938	4,788	4,752	4,880
Florida .....	1,194	1,194	1,194	1,193	1,194	1,194
Georgia .....	35,124	34,678	35,025	35,488	35,520	35,055
Kentucky .....	5,021	5,244	5,296	5,285	5,427	5,312
Louisiana .....	3,288	3,198	3,199	3,229	3,275	3,275
Maryland .....	7,968	7,894	7,794	7,944	7,937	7,916
Mississippi .....	16,315	16,160	16,144	15,973	16,509	16,754
Missouri .....	9,206	9,425	9,233	9,383	9,546	9,256
North Carolina .....	24,932	25,292	25,557	25,399	25,891	24,878
Oklahoma .....	7,681	7,793	7,691	7,550	7,586	7,559
Pennsylvania .....	6,815	6,478	6,605	6,551	6,500	6,797
South Carolina .....	5,011	5,576	4,709	5,651	5,510	5,590
Texas .....	18,467	18,351	18,002	18,129	18,910	18,913
Virginia .....	6,467	6,615	6,724	6,702	6,792	6,702
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	13,642	13,470	13,543	13,525	13,448	13,555
Other States .....	12,268	12,229	12,375	12,463	12,393	12,698
United States .....	236,948	237,433	237,242	238,522	240,951	239,600

## Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – Selected States and United States: 2022

State	Week ending					
	January 1, 2022	January 8, 2022	January 15, 2022	January 22, 2022	January 29, 2022	February 5, 2022
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama .....	23,896	23,868	23,608	24,156	23,371	23,609
Arkansas .....	21,499	21,702	21,824	21,248	22,845	21,946
Delaware .....	4,581	4,858	5,142	4,946	4,636	4,694
Florida .....	1,138	1,142	1,241	1,249	1,218	1,211
Georgia .....	26,626	25,680	26,321	26,360	26,994	27,062
Kentucky .....	5,005	4,429	4,859	4,406	3,714	4,032
Louisiana .....	2,817	2,309	2,652	2,724	2,770	2,662
Maryland .....	5,672	4,798	5,235	5,650	5,651	6,363
Mississippi .....	14,064	13,825	13,642	13,261	13,397	13,399
Missouri .....	6,218	7,304	6,418	6,567	6,276	7,002
North Carolina .....	20,105	19,708	20,228	20,002	20,797	20,437
Oklahoma .....	4,597	3,827	4,361	4,557	3,886	3,623
Pennsylvania .....	5,068	5,047	4,871	4,978	4,813	4,809
South Carolina .....	3,439	4,620	4,575	3,622	3,920	4,214
Texas .....	14,582	14,544	14,464	14,571	14,495	14,440
Virginia .....	5,997	5,983	5,140	5,191	5,772	5,371
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia .....	10,824	12,075	11,182	11,582	12,058	11,158
Other States .....	9,091	8,953	9,345	9,155	9,356	9,303
United States .....	185,219	184,672	185,108	184,225	185,969	185,335

## Statistical Methodology

**Survey Procedures:** Data for broiler hatchery estimates are collected weekly from all broiler-type hatcheries that hatch at least one million chicks a year. Individual NASS regional field offices maintain a list of all known hatcheries and update their lists on a continual basis. All hatcheries that meet the minimum size criteria are given adequate time to respond to the weekly survey. Those that do not respond are contacted by telephone. The weekly United States total for chicks placed includes states receiving greater than 500,000 chicks annually for grow-out.

**Estimating Procedures:** All data are analyzed for unusual values. Data from each operation are compared to their own past operating profile and to trends from similar operations. Data for missing operations are estimated based on similar operations or historical data. NASS regional field offices prepare these estimates by using a combination of survey indications and historic trends. Individual State estimates are reviewed by the Agricultural Statistics Board for reasonableness.

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